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MENG 470 Mechanical Vibrations

First Exam
Closed-book Exam
Tuesday: 9/6/1425 H
Time Allowed: 120 mins

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2. Show all work for partial credit.
3. Assemble your work for each problem in logical order.
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1) A harmonic motion has an amplitude of 0.20 cm and a period of 0.15 s . Determine the maximum velocity and acceleration.

2) A harmonic motion has a frequency of 10 cps ($\text{cps} = \text{cycles per second} = \text{Hz}$) and its maximum velocity is 4.57 m/s . Determine its amplitude, its period, and its maximum acceleration.

3) A machine of mass $m=500 \text{ kg}$ is mounted on a simply supported steel beam of length $l = 2\text{m}$ having a rectangular cross-section (*depth* = 0.1 m , *width* = 1.2 m) and Young's modulus $E=2.06 \times 10^{11} \text{ N/m}^2$. To reduce the vertical deflection of the beam, a spring of stiffness k is attached at the mid-span, as shown below in Figure 1. Determine the value of k needed to reduce the deflection of the beam to one-third of its original value. Assume that the mass of the beam is negligible.

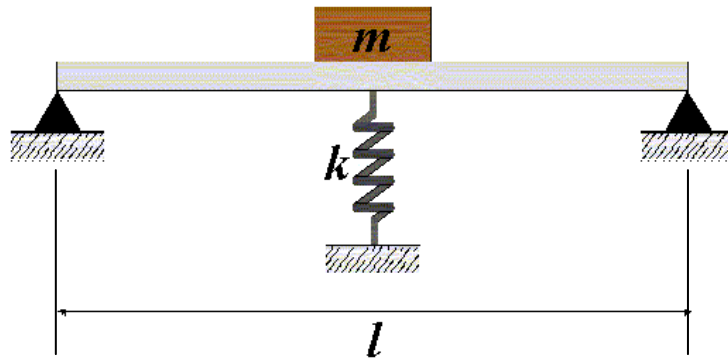


Figure 1

4) Write the equation of motion for the spring-mass system shown in Figure 2. Let its displacement $x(t)$ be measured from:

- a) the position for which both springs are unstretched. What is the natural frequency of the system?
- b) the **static equilibrium position** of the system.

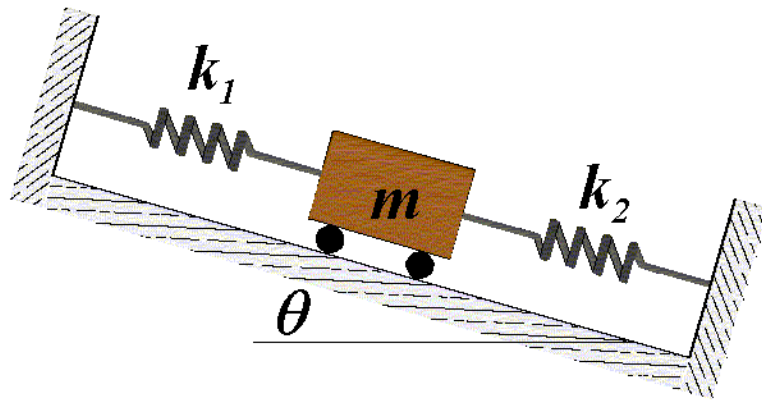


Figure 2

5) Imagine that you are a Vibrations Engineer working for ARAMCO company, where you are investigating the properties of a foundation that will be used to support an electric motor of weight $mg = 500 \text{ N}$. Your boss, Abdullah Joma'a, wants you to identify the following for the foundation:

- a) The nature of damping provided by the foundation.
- b) The damped and undamped natural frequencies of the motor/foundation combination.
- c) The foundation stiffness and damping.

Thus you perform a free vibration tests whereby the motor—supported by the particular foundation—is released from rest with an initial displacement $x_0 = 8 \text{ mm}$ and the subsequent response is measured. The response is shown in Figure 3.

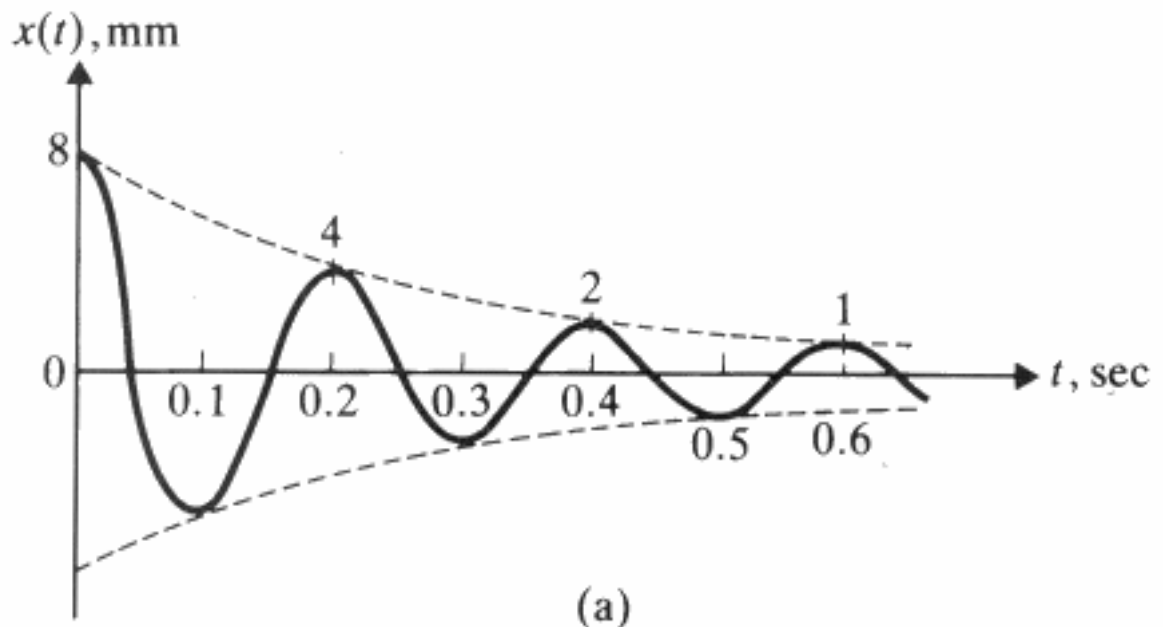


Figure 3